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**2021 PROJECT WINNERS**



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## ABC MN/MNOSHA Partnership

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| • Breitbach Construction               | • Larson Building, Inc.         |
| • Cedar Lake Electric, Inc.            | • Nor-Son Construction          |
| • Electrical Production Services, Inc. | • Schwickert's Tecta America LL |
| • Fagen, Inc.                          | • Security Fire Sprinkler, LLC  |

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| • Bauer Design Build, LLC        | • Rice Companies                      |
| • Dale Gruber Construction, Inc. | • Shingobee                           |
| • Greystone Construction Company | • Stotko Speedling Construction, Inc. |
| • Laketown Electric              | • Willmar Electric Service Corp.      |
| • Lyon Contracting, Inc.         |                                       |
| • Marcus Construction            |                                       |

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| • Lyon Contracting, Inc.         | • Rice Companies      |



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## STEP Awards - For Contractors Who Promote Safety

STEP Safety Management System (STEP) recognizes the efforts of ABC members that strive to achieve effective safety practices at their firms and provides contractors with a tool to objectively evaluate their safety programs, policies, procedures and training. Using a template provided by ABC National, contractors evaluate their programs and receive certificates for qualifying at the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum or Diamond levels. Contractors can use the one-year STEP certification as a business marketing tool and to improve safety at their firms.

### Silver Level

- Abhe & Svoboda, Inc.
- B.J. Baas Builders, Inc.
- Bauer Design Build, LLC
- Design Electric, Inc.
- Hy-Tec Construction
- Laketown Electric Corporation
- Lunseth Plumbing & Heating Co.
- Lyon Contracting, Inc.
- McCormick Construction Company
- MCI Paint & Drywall
- Nelson Electric LLC
- Security Fire Sprinkler, LLC
- Stotko Speedling Construction, Inc.

### BRONZE LEVEL

- A.B. Systems
- APX Construction Group
- Berd Electric, LLC
- Breitbach Construction
- Brennan Construction of MN, Inc.
- Cedar Lake Electric, Inc.
- Comstock Construction
- Construction Engineers, Inc.
- East Side Glass Co.
- Elcor Construction, Inc.
- G & J Awning & Canvas, Inc.
- Horizon Roofing, Inc.
- J-Berd Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
- Nor-Son, Inc.
- Rice Companies
- Schwab Construction Services
- SCR
- Superior Mechanical, Inc.
- Sussner Construction
- Vos Construction Inc.
- WEB Construction Co., Inc.
- Wieser Brothers General Contractor, Inc.
- Wilcon Construction Inc.
- Wolf Construction Services

## 2021 MN/ND ABC STEP Winners

### DIAMOND LEVEL

- A.J. Moore Electric, Inc.
- Integrated Building Solutions
- Knobelsdorff Enterprises
- Larson Building, Inc.
- Marcus Construction
- Olaf Anderson Construction, Inc.
- STARCON International, Inc.
- Willmar Electric Service

### Platinum Level

- CBS Construction Services, Inc.
- Dale Gruber Construction, Inc.
- Electrical Production Services, Inc.
- Greystone Construction Company
- John T. Jones Construction Co.
- Mindak Commercial Construction
- Schwickert's Tecta America LLC
- Shingobee
- The Weitz Company
- Wanzek Construction, Inc.

### GOLD LEVEL

- Anderson Companies LLC
- Bergstrom Electric, Inc.
- Custom Aire, Inc.
- Fagen, Inc.
- Miller Insulation Co., Inc.
- Oxentenko, Inc.



## 2021 ABC Construction Company Of The Year

### Greystone Construction

Greystone Construction has been building careers and communities since 1987. A proud ABC member for over 30 years, Greystone lives and promotes the Merit Shop philosophy. Greystone team members are active in the Minnesota Chapter of ABC including Greystone founder Kevin O'Brien who has served as a board member and past President of MNABC.

Greystone credits its success to its talented and dedicated team members, many of which have been with Greystone for 10, 20, and even 30+ years.

With a focus on high-quality craftsmanship, safety, integrity, and relationships, Greystone has grown from a start-up focusing on the construction of airplane hangars and waste treatment facilities to a well-established and versatile general contractor serving commercial, industrial, and agribusiness clients in 31 states and counting.

Greystone is a MNOSHA Partner and has achieved a Platinum STEP level. Greystone's strong safety culture is a result of effective

planning, training, supervision, and unwavering commitment from every team member to achieve zero safety incidents on every jobsite, every day.

Consistently delivering quality has provided Greystone the opportunity to partner with some of the best companies in the markets they serve.

A few of Greystone's recent major projects include their new headquarters in the Canterbury Commons development in Shakopee, Minnesota; Hawk's Point senior living in Cheyenne, Wyoming; Shakopee Flats, a 170-unit mixed-use apartment building and restaurant in Downtown Shakopee, Minnesota; and multiple greenfield agronomy service centers throughout the country.

Greystone is grateful to ABC for its courage and dedication to the Merit Shop and to its network of excellent subcontract partners, skilled architects and engineers, great clients, supportive family and friends, and last but not least their exceptional team.



**Consistently delivering quality has provided Greystone the opportunity to partner with some of the best companies in the markets they serve.**

## 2022 ABC Construction Woman Of The Year

### Karen Krenske, Cedar Lake Electric



During her 27 years at Cedar Lake Electric, Karen has been a true asset to the company. She continually keeps the company's best interest at the forefront of the daily operations in her role as Vice President. Cedar Lake Electric was especially impressed during the COVID-19 pandemic when Karen oversaw setting up new company policies and dealing with the emotional rollercoaster for the employees through this difficult time. She was

responsible for developing, implementing, and educating company personnel on health and safety guidelines. Karen was also instrumental in encouraging management to provide a safe space for employees, respect all employees' opinions and feelings, and making sure that all employees were kept safe according to CDC recommendations. She encourages people to find out answers for themselves while supporting their decisions.

Karen has made significant steps in guiding the Cedar Lake Electric safety program and arranging company events around safety, as well as conduct quarterly safety meetings. Through

these actions, Cedar Lake Electric has won several safety awards. She is always willing to take on projects and serves as a vital role in the management of our company.

Karen's skills are not limited to the office. She has always maintained a positive and friendly attitude towards all our clients. She is also able to work under pressure and has always managed to solve stressful situations.

Karen has been very involved in ABC for several years serving in different capacities. She has served on the ABC Board of Directors since 2016 and has been an active participant in ABC's legislative and political efforts even before that. She regularly attends ABC's Day at the Capitol in St. Paul and has attended several Legislative Conferences in Washington D.C. and other national meetings, plus contributes to ABC's state and federal PACs. In addition, Karen is a regular attendee and participant in ABC's HR Peer Group.

Karen is a strong supporter and promoter of merit shop philosophy and is often educating others on the benefits of merit shop construction. She truly embodies the merit shop philosophy and has been an integral part in the growth and stability of our company over the years. We are truly fortunate to have Karen as part of the Cedar Lake Electric team!



# ★ MEGA PROJECTS

<b>Category:</b>	<b>More than \$100 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Fagen, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Isabella Wind Project</b>

Isabella Wind is Michigan's largest wind farm, located in and around Rosebush, Michigan. It has a generating capacity of approximately 385 MW. Fagen mobilized the project on September 2, 2019, with the intent to immediately begin work on wind turbine foundation installations, collection system installation, and other civil infrastructures, such as roads, ditches, culverts, etc. The wind farm consists of (121) GE 2.82-127, 114 m hub height, and (15) GE 2.82-127, 89 m hub height turbines.

Built for client Isabella Wind, LLC, the project was valued at over \$100 million and construction activities ran for 16 months. The primary Engineer was Fagen Engineering, LLC. Fagen crews mobilized to the site on September 2, 2019 and substantial completion was achieved on January 8, 2021. During that time, Fagen crews clocked 461,736 manhours (total including extra work) with zero lost time accidents.

The Isabella Wind Farm had a footprint of approximately 90 square miles, consisting of 136 turbines, a collection system, high voltage transmission lines, a substation and turbine access roads. Infrastructures installed included:

- 121 turbines - GE 2.82-127, 114 m hub height
- 15 turbines – GE 2.82-127, 89 m hub height
- Approximately 150 miles of collection system, consisting of approximately 440 miles conductor cabling, 150 miles of fiber optic cable, 150 miles of ground cable, 75 junction boxes, 136 pad mount transformers, and many other miscellaneous items
- Approximately 40 miles of turbine access roads, which included stabilization of road subgrade prior to installation
- 240 temporary roads for the turbines to arrive at their final destination for erection, with approximately 49 of these on public road intersections
- 136 wind turbine foundations consisting of 5 different foundation designs
- 136 temporary wind turbine erection pads, built and reclaimed

Fagen crews self-performed the following:

- Foundation installation (excavation, backfill, forming, and placement)
- Turbine offloading/storage
- Turbine erection
- SWPPP Inspections





# ★ INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Knobelsdorff</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Bushel Boy Greenhouse</b>

Medium and high voltage is very different than normal power distribution – it's not only bigger, it's more intense and requires a different start-up procedure. Medium voltage is considered 1,000 to 72,000 volts and high voltage is 72,500 to 230,000 volts. Over time, Knobelsdorff has acquired the skill set to perform medium to high voltage installations.

So why medium to high voltage? Overall, it's much more cost-effective to run medium to high voltage cables, which means we don't have to install as many conduits and conductors to facilitate the power demand when utilizing medium to high voltage. Seems easy, right?

It's not. Special tools, skilled labor and procedures are required, and there is a lack of qualified and trained electrical contractors equipped to perform medium to high voltage installations.

Based on consumer demand, Bushel Boy needed to build a new greenhouse, contributing to feeding America.

Underground conduits were buried deep underground, measured, and documented. With smartphones, cameras and GPS mapping, we could electronically document everything, allowing for ease in future expansions. In addition, by running these conduits underground, we limited the number of exposed pipes, reducing the risk of physical damage, deterioration, and overall future maintenance.

KE provided engineering, design, procurement, installation, start-up, and commissioning for:

- 25KV MV distribution and 480V power distribution
- Arc Flash and Coordination study for equipment
- Provided and installed grounding grids for 2 – 25KV vacuum fault interrupters, 1 – 2500KVA transformer and 8 – 1500KVA transformers.
- Provided and installed the following: 2 -25kV VFIs, 1-2500KVA transformer, 8 – 1500KVA transformers, 4000A switchboard and 8 – 2500A switchboards
- NETA testing for switchgears and transformers.
- Generator and automatic transfer switch installation with setup and testing.





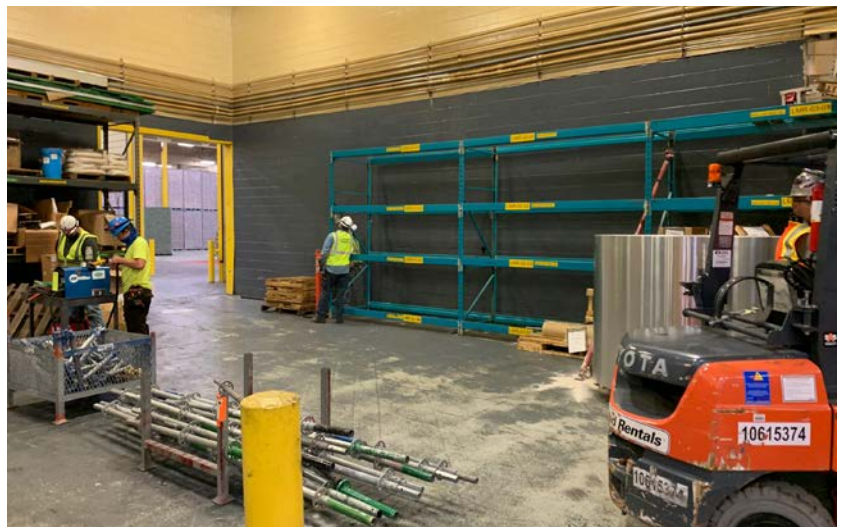
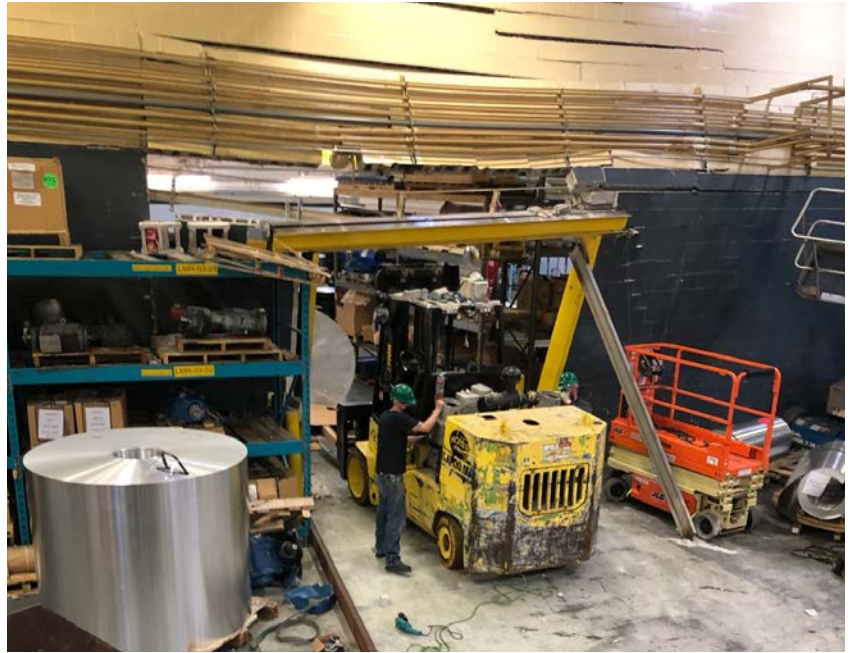
# ★ INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Knobelsdorff</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Ball Corporation</b>

Labor Day weekend, 2020, Knobelsdorff received a hot request from Doug Green, plant manager at Ball. A forklift ran into a dividing wall in the facility, putting a quick halt on production. With the main feeds for the plant running along the crumbling wall he knew he needed help fast. Knobelsdorff responded to the call, had engineers on site that evening and met with Doug on Labor Day with a small army of trusted partners to get to work. As the first contractor on the scene, we started asking questions. We had contacts. We made phone calls. And we got the ball rolling and took on the role of general contractor for the project.

Knobelsdorff served as the general contractor of the project and provided the electrical services, including:

- Managed structural engineering team (VAA) and industrial plumbing and mechanical contractor (Ryan Mechanical).
- Collapsed wall project #1
- Replace/upgrade plant compressed air system
- Collapsed wall project #2
- 3,000 amp switchgear replacement to 4,000 amp
- Breakroom renovations
- Replaced electrical components due to failed utility line
- Central Plant Utility PLC Control and SCADA system
- Machine upgrades





# ★ INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Fagen, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>HONORABLE MENTION</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Astoria Station</b>

Fagen, Inc. was the General Works Contractor for the Astoria Station project, a first-of-its-kind power station tasked with pushing 250 megawatts of power to the grid in less than 10 minutes. The facility was built for Otter Tail Power and was located approximately one mile northeast of Astoria, SD.

This simple cycle plant is a "peaker plant." It only runs when power is in high demand or conditions for renewable energy generation aren't favorable. Fagen was responsible for initial site work, concrete foundations, structural steel, piping, electrical and mechanical installation, along with a small balance of plant procurement scope.



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# ★ INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Rice Companies</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Pilgrim's Pride 280 Expansion</b>

Pilgrim's Pride in Cold Spring, MN offers more to Central Minnesota than just quality products, they also offer the region a monumental amount of job opportunities. Growing consistently over the years, Rice Companies is proud to be their chosen partner for construction projects, including the 280 Expansion that began the winter of 2020.

Rice Companies, Inc. has worked on several projects at Pilgrim's Pride (previously Gold'N'Plump). Previous tasks were to improve productivity for the processing plant, including the addition of shipping space, storage freezers, and a new live receiving addition. The new 280 Expansion boosted production up to 280 birds per minute. This was the largest plant improvement Pilgrim's Pride Corporation has undergone, along with the longest scheduled plant shutdown.

This complex expansion included Design/Build (architectural and structural design), conventional steel with precast tip-up exterior wall panels, fresh product shipping docks, miscellaneous carpentry and framing, selective demo, cooler/freezer installation, MEP (mechanical, electrical, fire protection, plumbing), exterior and interior renovations including, site excavation, concrete/masonry, roofing, epoxy floor coating, and miscellaneous interior finishes.

Rice Companies has always conducted a Zero Injury Safety-First policy while working in a fully operational food processing facility. We made sure the staff on site were informed and aware of the changing conditions. Our team excelled with the additional training they acquired to ensure that food safety was among their skills needed for this project.

The project team at Rice Companies and their excellent skills in quality and communication, were able to recognize issues and quickly offer and implement solutions. Along with corrective actions, our team also adapted to the ever-changing CDC recommendations for COVID-19 guidelines and were able to implement new safety plans as situations developed.

We continue to work on projects at Pilgrim's Pride and are grateful for the partnership we continue to grow.





# ★ INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>The Weitz Company</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Tyson Foods Feed Mill</b>

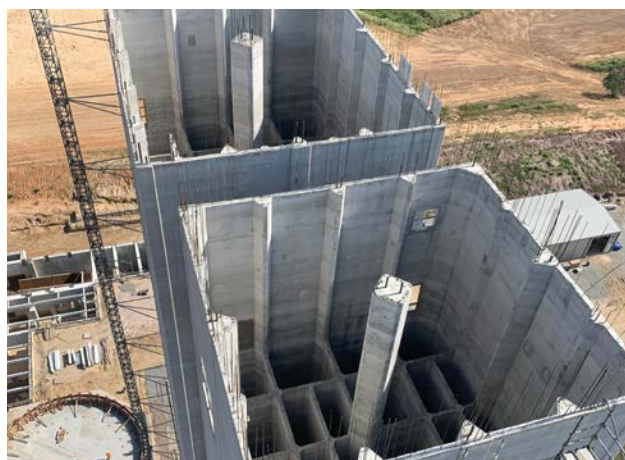
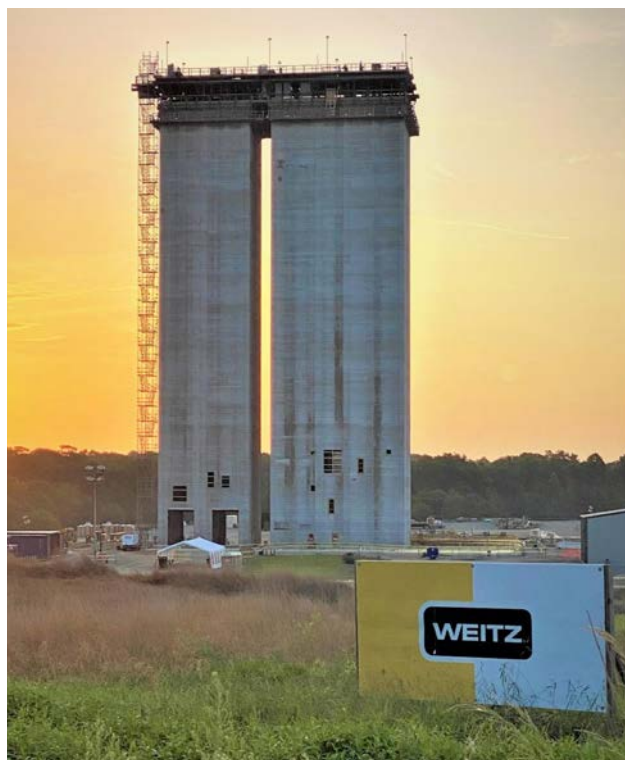
Tyson Foods, Inc., contracted The Weitz Company to design-build a new poultry feed processing facility. The state-of-the-art feed mill located in Center, Texas, has a manufacturing capacity of 14,000 tons per week of poultry feed. Process systems included: grain storage, grinding, mixing, pelleting, cooling and bulk load out were part of the project. The feed mill structure is 199'-0" tall and the grain storage structure is 168'-0" tall. The project was valued at just over \$41,000,000 and the length of the project was 19.5 months.

The Weitz Company (Weitz) realized during the pre-bid stage that a standard approach to managing this Tyson project was not going to be sufficient to meet the high expectations set forth by the Tyson/Weitz team. A resourceful approach was going to be necessary to keep the project safe while keeping the project on schedule and on budget and performing the high quality of work that Tyson has become accustomed to with Weitz on past projects.

As with any project, the team set priorities and developed strategies and benchmarks against progress that could be measured. Risks were identified and mitigation and contingency plans were developed. A change request system was created to ensure that the project remained within scope and that any additions/subtractions were properly addressed. Throughout the entire project, communication was clear, professional and consistent. Weekly standardized status updates were established to monitor construction and engineering progress, which assisted in evaluating success.

Construction methods included: slipformed vertical concrete, precast concrete, and structural steel towers and bridges.

- Weitz self-performed: slipform concrete, flatwork concrete, steel erection, millwright installation, equipment installation, and finish painting. Approximately 65% of construction labor was self-performed. Approximately 85% of conceptual engineering, detailed engineering and concrete/structural design was self-performed.
- Additional Weitz activities included:
  - o Comprehensive site safety plan development and implementation
  - o Development of permit documents and assistance with permit submittals/reviews
  - o Craft-hour loaded construction schedule and procurement schedule development and execution
  - o Lean Last Planner® pull sessions, which resulted in field elimination of waste and drove efficiencies





# ★ COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Nor-Son Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Madden's Pavilion</b>

Located at the base of Pine Beach Peninsula, Madden's Resort has been in business for over 92 years. Pine Beach Peninsula extends between two bays of Gull Lake with approximately 50 residential homes who access their properties through the resort each day. The Pavilion project job site was located at the heart of the resort, nearly surrounded by water and with limited access due to narrow road widths and sharp turning radiuses. Staging and loading plans were developed and material deliveries were timed early in the morning to avoid resort staff, guest and resident vehicle traffic.

The Pavilion design is an incredible structural achievement. With 75% of the perimeter walls open, the Nor-Son team collaborated with structural engineers to determine how to support the expansive roof structure and minimize uplift from wind gusts off the lake. The roof was composed of large girder trusses supporting 20-foot tall by 60-foot wide common trusses and lateral beams. Four-foot square concrete piers extending from 6 feet below grade to 16 feet above grade anchored the roof system.

The trusses were assembled on site due to the size and limited site access. Over 1,200 bolts were drilled and installed into the girder trusses in the field. A lift plan was created with multiple crane mobilizations due to the size of the roof structure. Wind gusts were not only a concern in the structural stability of the building, but a major safety concern when installing the roof trusses. Additional bracing and anchoring were used to ensure all crew members were safe.

In conquering the many unique challenges of a small site, complex design and harsh winter conditions, Nor-Son has created a building for vacationers to enjoy for years to come, on schedule and on budget.





# ★ COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Shingobee Builders, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE &amp; HIGHEST SCORE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Holiday Stationstore #332</b>

Shingobee Builders provided reconstruction of a Holiday Stationstore at 46th and Hiawatha in Minneapolis that was destroyed during civil unrest in May 2020. The previous 1,000 square foot convenience store was replaced with a 3,900 square foot building, and a car wash was added to the site. Due to rezoning requirements, the locations of buildings were reconfigured to place the new store adjacent to the street corner, with fuel pumps internal to the site.

Shingobee led the construction team, starting with budgeting and value engineering options as the design was progressing. Demolition of the existing site started in December 2020, and construction of the new buildings began on January 4, 2021, beginning with a complex water line installation under Hiawatha Avenue without closing the highway. Shingobee's team carefully orchestrated site logistics throughout construction to efficiently organize work on the small, urban site. The entire project took place during the winter months, requiring ground thawing to perform every step of the site work.

With permitting delays at the beginning of the project, the construction schedule was reduced to 16 weeks, instead of the typical 20 to 24 weeks. Shingobee's team managed the construction to meet the owner's schedule requirements. The building was turned over to Holiday Operations on schedule on April 15, 2021, with final completion and store opening a week later.

Shingobee took a proactive approach to safety, scheduling multiple third-party inspections and two consultation visits by Minnesota OSHA to ensure safety on site.

The entire project, including design, city approvals for rezoning and Conditional Use Permits, demolition, and construction, was completed within 11 months of the riots.

The new convenience store has been well received by the neighborhood. The larger size store allows for an enhanced variety and volume of goods and services for customers. The new construction has been a sign of hope after the tragic unrest in the area.

Close cooperation and communication among the owner, architect, contractor, and trades resulted in a very successful conclusion to the project.





# ★ COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Greystone Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Greystone Construction Office Building</b>

The Greystone Construction Office Building project in Shakopee, Minnesota, is a two-story building with Class A finishes. The multi-tenant building designed by Tushie Montgomery Architects features a two-story glass atrium, floating staircase, modern stone and metal exterior, 30KW solar panel system, wood-wrapped clerestory, rooftop deck with views of the Canterbury race track, a lush garden with water features, and more. The design provides for incredible views and great exposure to the public.

The Greystone project is the first commercial development of a 13-acre site near Canterbury Park, a development that is located in the "River South" entertainment region which attracts more than 10 million visitors each year. The Class A building sets the high quality standard for not only the 13-acre development where it is located, but also the future commercial development of 200+ acres near Canterbury Park's race track.

Despite the many challenges the COVID pandemic presented including material price increases, material availability, labor force issues, etc., the project was completed on time, 5 percent under budget, and with a perfect Total Recordable Incidence Rate.

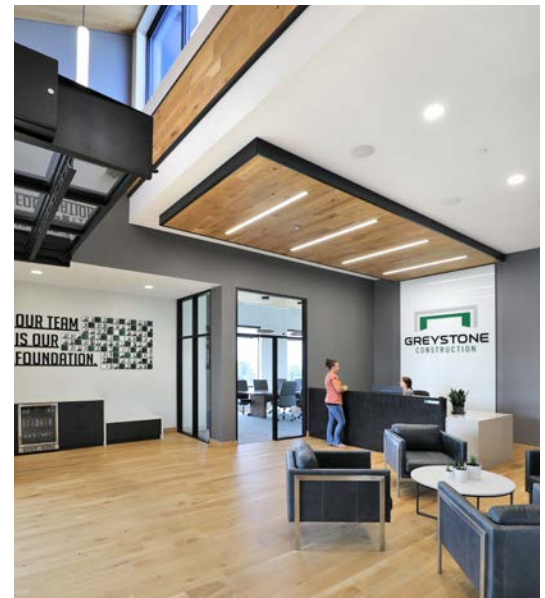
Founder and CEO of Greystone Construction Kevin O'Brien stated, "The Greystone team surpassed my expectations by leaps and bounds in the design and construction of our new office building.

*As you enter this beautiful building, you see design elements that reflect Greystone's core values, diverse construction niches, past accomplishments, search for new opportunities, and the creativity of the Greystone team.*

*This building design provides and promotes a healthy work environment, efficiency, team collaboration, work/life balance, creative thinking, growth, and fearless adaptation to change.*

*The design also reflects our concern for the health of our environment. Solar panels, future car charging stations and bike racks are some of the environmentally friendly features.*

*The Greystone Construction office building at 2995 Winners Circle Drive will be part of the founder's legacy and will also provide a platform for current and future leaders to use to elevate and expand Greystone's capabilities and brand."*





## ★ COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Hy-Tec Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>The EKoMarkt</b>

Dr. Jeanni Foss, owner of the Edgewood Dental clinic in the Brainerd Lakes Area, was inspired after a trip to Greenland to create an eco-friendly building to house her practice. The goal was to reduce negative impacts on the environment and use less energy and natural resources, all the while inspiring the surrounding community to do the same. The resulting product is The EKoMarkt, a multi-tenant building featuring solar power, green roofs and numerous other natural resource saving technologies.

Hy-Tec Construction was retained for the construction of the over 17,000 square foot, two story facility that is home to a dental clinic, lab and multiple retail tenant spaces. The building features several technologies, such as solar power, green roofs and TrueGrid paving that were new and had never been implemented in the city previously. Numerous meetings and extensive planning were required by the team to meet Baxter, MN city codes and regulations and get the approvals necessary for permitting. The challenges continued, as the project was set to begin construction. Fears that a Covid-19 pandemic would cause a severe economic downturn coupled with state-wide government shutdowns, the project start date was delayed for three months. After careful consideration and extensive planning with new safety protocols, the groundbreaking commenced in June of 2020.

Despite numerous delays, Hy-Tec was able to deliver the project within weeks of the original completion date. The project at many times was a challenge with Covid-19 labor and supply shortages, weather conditions and the additional design coordination that was required. The Hy-Tec team, along with all of their subcontractors that worked alongside, committed to making this project a success. The end result is a building that highlights innovative technologies and environmentally friendly design. The EKoMarkt is a building that is an inspiration to the future of eco-conscience design in our community. Hy-Tec is proud of the successful collaboration on this project and the opportunity to be a part of creating a building that makes a difference in our community and the environment.





## ★ INSTITUTIONAL CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Construction Engineers</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Fox Hills Elementary School</b>

Watford City, ND, was bursting at the seams during the oil boom in 2014-15, and the district struggled to manage an influx of residents with school-age children. The school district had a strategic plan, but the oil boom busted. It may have taken a few extra years, but the community bounced-back and is stronger than ever. The new Fox Hills Elementary School has allowed the District to reconfigure and right-size their student population in each building.

This project consists of building a new 600-student elementary school on 15 acres of land in western ND. A precast concrete building shell was erected, along with MEP systems, and interior finishes totaling 88,000 SF. The state-of-the-art education space includes the latest technology and classrooms attached to a shared learning commons for each grade. Flex space has been designed to offer teachers space to use as needed. There are rooms to support students with behavior issues, such as a reset room and calming/sensory rooms. The latest in school security systems makes sure the children, teachers, and staff are safe in their learning environment.

Thanks to the coordinated efforts of the Project Team consisting of the McKenzie County Public School District #1, the Design Team headed up by JLG Architects, and all the contractors that worked relentlessly on the project throughout the pandemic, the school attained the fully approved Certificate of Occupancy which allowed for the on-time start of school.

Along with achieving completion of the project by the required completion date, the project was completed more than \$2 million under budget. In consideration of schedule, budget, Owner satisfaction and challenges overcome, the Fox Hills Elementary School is a monumental success and will proudly serve as model project for years to come.





## ★ HEALTHCARE CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Lyon Contracting, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>NorBella Senior Living of Prior Lake</b>

NorBella Senior Living of Prior Lake is a single-story boutique styled senior community featuring 40 units of assisted living and memory care. This building design is a better alternative for people who require high awareness care. The design of this senior community is unique due to having the common areas in the center of the building and having resident's units surround the commons on each side. To intrigue residents to socialize outside of their rooms, we emphasized on making the common areas warm and welcoming; this includes- In the common area ceilings, we placed coffered recesses that are trimmed out in maple wood with faux beams, along with tongue and groove paneling in the pitched portions. This created a very warm and inviting area for residents to enjoy company outside of their rooms. In the dining area there were beautiful faux trusses added into the large, pitched center of the ceiling. This brought the ceiling down to a much more intimate level for such a large room. Also in design process, it was highlighted to have well-lit areas for residents. There are large windows placed throughout the common spaces of this building. This allowed natural light of the outside make its way inside, to provide a more natural well-lit space for activities that are hosted in these common areas. Lastly, in the common area design plan there were several small bump out areas added for small lounge areas. This area was created to give residents a more intimate and personal space for visiting family and friends outside of their rooms.





# ★ HEALTHCARE CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$1-5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Nor-Son Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Center for Pain Management (CFPM)</b>

Center for Pain Management (CFPM) specializes in individualized treatment for acute, chronic and cancer pain. A client of Nor-Son's for over a decade, CFPM retained Nor-Son for the design and construction of a 12,700 square foot new facility in Sartell, MN. What seemed to be a straight-forward project brought new challenges to the team during a world-wide pandemic. The entire planning, design, and budgeting process were completed through virtual meetings. During construction, COVID-19 safety protocol, scheduling and manpower, and a complicated building structure with long lead times were challenges overcome with strong leadership, effective communication and exceptional teamwork.

With the client's current lease space expiring, there was zero flexibility in the schedule and the team needed to allow enough time to get through state

health inspections, equipment testing and move-in. With two separate wings, one for an Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) and one for the clinic, two sets of detailed submittal documents had to be prepared for both state and local permitting and regulatory approval authorities. The team concentrated on the ASC side of the building to get trades working in that section first for state inspections to be scheduled in a timely manner.

The building footprint was complex, and the 60-foot roof span required an extensive, 200-page truss package. With rising costs and long lead times in lumber, the team needed to avoid any impact to the project schedule and budget. Our relationships with subcontractors and suppliers was key to the success of an on-time delivery. The lumberyard held the CFPM project in their queue without a signed



commitment until the final design was approved to get the trusses onsite and maintain the schedule.

Despite the complexity of design and systems, working within a world-wide pandemic, the Nor-Son Construction team delivered the project on time, within budget, and at a quality level the client's desired.



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## ★ HEALTHCARE CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Lyon Contracting, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Boulder Ponds Senior Living</b>

Boulder Ponds is a 95-unit senior assisted living & memory care project located in the southwest corner of Lake Elmo near the intersection of Interstate 94 & Co. Rd. 13. The property is a 3.68-acre site located in the Boulder Ponds subdivision. This project is a 3-story, "Y" shaped, wood-framed structure built over a one level of underground parking garage. This development addresses a gap in the Lake Elmo senior living marketplace. The unit mix includes 28 memory care, 67 assisted living, and one guest suite to accommodate visitors. Boulder Ponds Assisted Living offers a variety of floor plans, including studio, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom options. Innovative design ideas included a large steel beam in the MC activity kitchen that we wrapped and connected into the soffit surrounding the room making it look as one. Ceramic tile in the entry lobby made it inviting for family and others to enter the building. Custom hutch in the dining room. Patio with a fireplace on the backside of the building. Vinyl fence to separate the assisted living facility and the housing development where the houses backyard connected to Boulder Pond Senior Living property.



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## ★ HEALTHCARE CONSTRUCTION

Category:	Over \$5 Million
Company:	The Joseph Company
Award:	HONORABLE MENTION
Project:	Spring Valley Living - Memory & Skilled Care Addition

On June 11, 2019, The Joseph Company was selected as the Construction Manager for the \$6,000,000 Memory and Skilled Care Addition at the Spring Valley Living facility in Spring Valley Minnesota. The Memory Care addition is a 19,500 SF single-story building which is attached to the current Assisted Living wing and includes (23) one-bedroom suites, (1) two-bedroom suite, a serving kitchen, (2) dining areas, family dining room, lounge, activity area, exterior courtyard, adult daycare, office spaces, and a four-stall garage. The Skilled Care addition, a 6,200 SF single-story building attached to the current Skilled Care facility, includes (12) one-bedroom units, lounge area, sun nook, nurse station, and office areas. Over 25,000 man hours were worked without a single injury or safety violation. Joseph assured the target schedule was met by fast-tracking footings / foundations phase while the State Department of Health was doing plan review, and also coordinated panelization of all wood-framed walls. Joseph's efforts with Value Engineering reduced the construction cost by almost \$400,000 which made the project feasible. The Owner was very pleased that the contracting team was able to mitigate all the challenges brought on by the pandemic and keep the schedule and budget intact.



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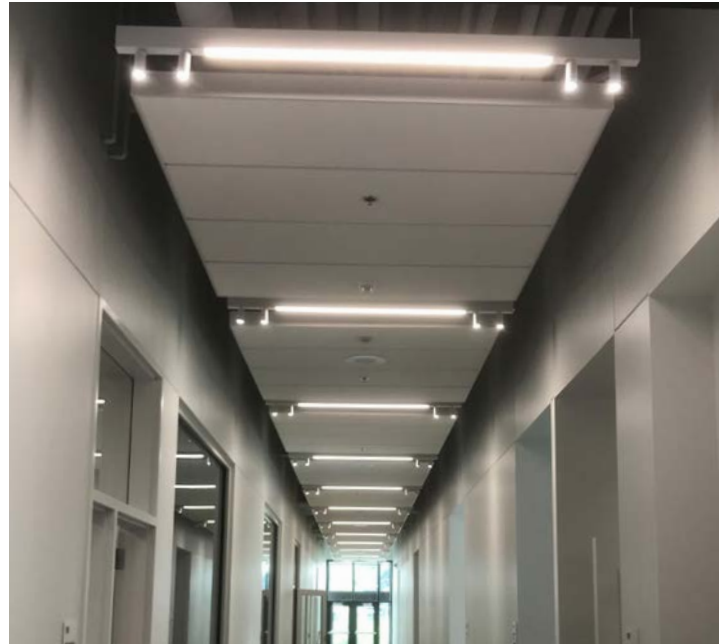
<b>Category:</b>	<b>\$500,000–\$1 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Willmar Electric</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Lower Sioux Intergenerational Cultural Incubator</b>

Time and traditions continue to move forward. With each next generation, a little of the past generations are lost. How do you keep the heritage of your ancestors alive and teach the next generation so they are not forgotten? These are the questions and trials the Lower Sioux Nation was encountering. The Lower Sioux Nation began to see the next generations losing site of where they came from and turning from the long-standing cultural heritage and skills they held so dear to honor their ancestors.

In 2019, a new adventure materialized for the Lower Sioux Nation. Through state and federal grants, along with local tribal funds, the dream of connecting long cultural traditions and further passing on cultural skills began to take shape when the first shovel was put in the ground to begin the addition of the Intergenerational Cultural Incubator project.

Willmar Electric partnered with the General Contractor, Hasslen Construction Co Inc. to complete the electrical installation for the Lower Sioux Intergenerational Cultural Incubator in Morton, MN. The new facility would be adjacent to the current Community Center. By constructing the new facility, Willmar Electric was able to partner with the Lower Sioux Nation to help bridge the divide to keep the cultural heritage of skills and traditions passed on from one generation to the next.

All projects have significant challenges and obstacles. How you address these situations is the separation between a good company and a great company. Willmar Electric chose to understand and become culturally sensitive to the needs and requests of the Owner, overcome a few major design issues, along with not compromising the safety of co-workers or other tradesmen. In September 2021, the Lower Sioux Nation proudly opened the Intergenerational Cultural Incubator facility to host traditional Tribal events, expand the knowledge of the rich heritage of the Lower Sioux trades and skills, as well as provide a space for displaying the art pieces which tell of the long historical ancestry of the Lower Sioux Nation.





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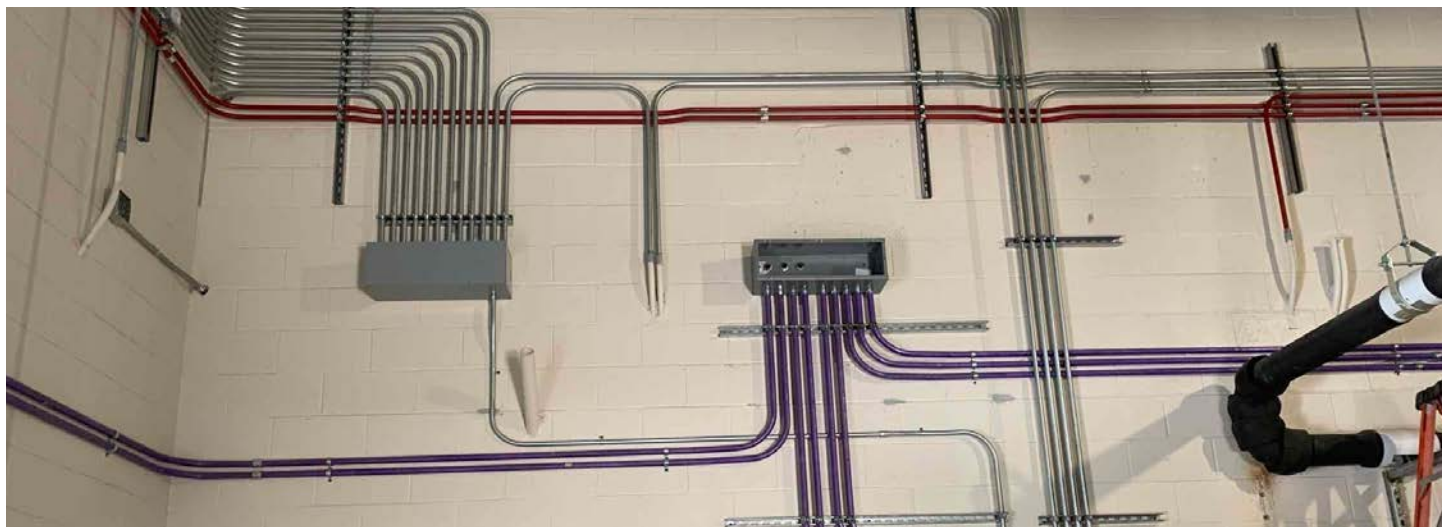
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<b>Company:</b>	<b>Willmar Electric Service, Corp.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Fort Sill Reception Center</b>

As new recruits enter the military, the first stop is to go to basic training. One of the Army's basic training locations is Fort Sill, OK. As the recruits are ushered into their new world, they are met with many new challenges. One of the new encounters is being greeted at the Reception Center, no longer with their familiar surroundings. To help assimilate the process better, the Corps of Engineers at Fort Sill decided to consolidate the Reception Center and the Barracks for the new soldiers into a single complex. The new facilities are now across the street from each other. Gathering the initial gear and orientation no longer requires bussing all over post, as well as the location to begin training is closer.

Willmar Electric partnered with the General Contractor Harper Construction Company, Inc. to complete the electrical installation for two separate Reception Center buildings which provides living facilities and medical/rehab facilities for the incoming soldiers prior to basic training and medical care for those injured during basic training.

Willmar Electric's Engineering, Estimating and Operation Teams were able to provide value engineering to the Corps of Engineers by reviewing the drawings and scope of work to help put money back into the project to be reinvested in other needs. Along with value engineering, the Operations Team was able to utilize the Engineering Team to deliver dimensioned rough in drawings, which helped save half an hour a day for a quarter of the project which was 2 years long. These hours were then utilized to push Willmar Electric ahead on the project allowing us to work with only 8 people, even when the General Contractor flooded the project with 200 people. The time savings also helped when Willmar Electric was faced with the challenge of installing 2000 feet of concrete duct bank, 2 new utility transformers which included a medium voltage loop leading to 7 man holes.

Willmar Electric chose to do what was best for the Owner through value engineering, using tools which were readily available to provide a quality install, without compromising the safety of co-workers or other tradesmen.





## ★ RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Lyon Contracting, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Urbana Court Apartments</b>

Urbana Court Apartments is a 207-unit, market-rate community developed by Trident Development and opened February 2021 at 5401 94th Avenue North in Brooklyn Park. This community features studio, 1- and 2-bedroom homes in a three-story building. The first floor has community amenities and apartments including a poolside community room, tv and game lounge, fitness center, tenant storage and 24-hour package concierge technology. Urbana Court Apartments are located on the same property as Urbana Place Senior Living which were also developed by Trident Development and constructed by Lyon Contracting, Inc. and completed August 2019. The property was formerly an agricultural site with a few dilapidated outbuildings. As part of the Owner's development agreement with the City, Lyon Contracting was contracted to clear the site and build a street extension of 94th Avenue North including the related utility infrastructure that wrapped around the site along with the site for the previously mentioned 105-unit senior living facility called Urbana Place.

Lyon Contracting was hired as the General Contractor to build this 207-unit, market rate apartment community located in Brooklyn Park, MN. All apartment units are contained in one; 236,918 SF three-story wood framed structure with a flat EPDM roof built over a concrete underground parking garage and includes a variety of indoor and outdoor amenities. The current parking plan is 77,864 SF and provides 227 spaces in an underground parking garage and 167 surface parking spaces.

The location allows you to discover Brooklyn Park and step into a stylish downtown lifestyle that caters to urban sophistication. Great north metro location with direct access to the convenient 610 corridor. Located within walking distance to grocery, shopping, and dining; this community is only 20 miles from downtown Minneapolis.

Extravagant finishes blended with luxe amenities this community offers studio, one bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments for residents.





## ★ RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Stevens Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>HONORABLE MENTION</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>The Huxley</b>

Located in the historic Minneapolis Arts District, ownership team TE Miller Development and Sean Sweeney developed this market rate apartment project where edgy style meets artful interiors and chic designer-grade finishes. Designed by Tushie Montgomery Architects, the Huxley amenity spaces include a first-floor pub room, chef's kitchen, co-working spaces, conference room, fitness room, community pet wash and rooftop social lounge with outdoor grilling stations and stunning skyline views. The modern, metro lifestyle has made the Huxley a highly desired place to live, with nearly all 112 units leased within the first three months.



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## ★ RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Stevens Construction</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>EAGLE</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>NOKO Apartments</b>

The Noko mixed use apartment project is the latest addition to the vibrant yet quaint Nokomis neighborhood. Replacing a long-standing, family-owned grocery store with a brand new Lunds & Byerlys makes the project a charming new chapter in South Minneapolis's long-established story. Developed by High Street Residential (HSR) a subsidiary of Trammell Crow Company, designed by ESG Architects and built by Stevens Construction Corp, this project was a highly anticipated and now very well received project amongst the neighborhood community.

Noko's design was inspired by the balance of the neighborhood's beauty, rooted community, and natural surroundings. The 130 dwelling units have elevated features such as quartz countertops, energy efficient stainless-steel appliances, tile backsplashes, and large windows and balconies for optimal views of the nearby Hiawatha Golf Course and Lake Nokomis. The building has a large outdoor amenity deck complete with a large spa, grilling stations, lounge areas, and fire pits that give the residents an escape to the outdoors without having to leave their home.

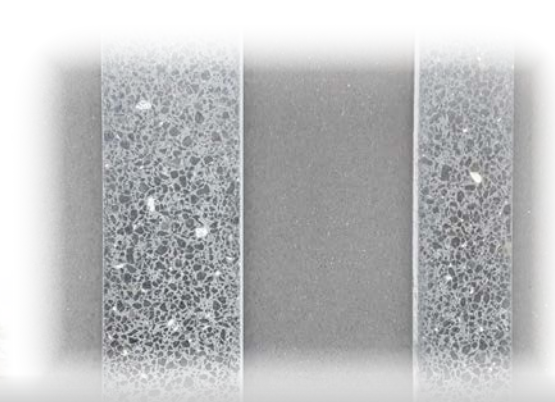
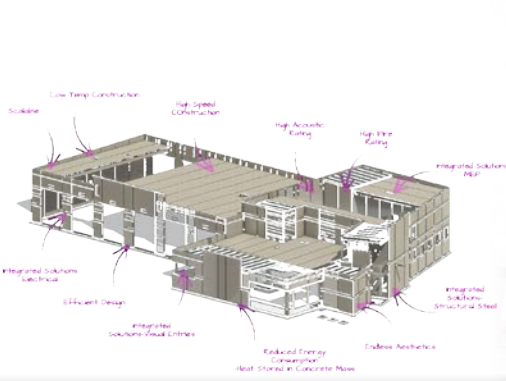
Standing five-stories, the building was built on a geopier foundation system. The site had less than ideal soil conditions and a high-water table. Because of these site conditions, a traditional foundation system was not possible. The Stevens team hired a specialty contractor to work with the structural engineer to come up with a solution. The team chose the Geopier system, as it provided most efficient and costeffective solution.

Green construction practices were an established goal amongst the development and design team from the start of the project. Stevens worked with subcontractors and suppliers to incorporate green construction practices, energy efficient systems and responsible materials specifications. The green building choices led to qualification for a substantial energy rebate from Xcel Energy.

The project was an overall success – Noko reached nearly 60% occupancy in the first month of opening and the community could not have been more thrilled to get their neighborhood grocery store back.







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## ★ OTHER SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$1 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Lyon Contracting, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Horvath Remembrance Center</b>

Horvath's vision for their new facility was to have a new accessible headquarters that felt like a community event center, not a Funeral Home, to meet the changing dynamics of the Funeral Industry. The Horvath Remembrance Center is a new, 1 story, 8,049 square foot building that sits on just under a 1-acre lot. Located in Historic downtown Marshall Minnesota on the corner of 5th Street & West Lyon Street. The building is within 1 block of 3 churches and 5 blocks from 2 others. A major element of the new facility was to incorporate a memory walk that exits the Remembrance Center to the West under a pergola that leads along a beautifully landscaped walk to the corner of West Lyon Street and North 5th Street where a procession can be led to one of the 5 churches.

The interior finishes consist of carpet and painted enamel trim, tile in the bathrooms and kitchen, and welded vinyl flooring in prep room and dressing room, with an integrated cove finish. We worked with the owner to design a beautiful custom center island with a granite countertop for the lobby of the building, which allows people to gather in remembrance of loved ones and has card slots/card collection system to securely collect donations. We also worked with the design team to incorporate multi glide glass doors recessed into the slab on grade floor between the lounge and the chapel to provide flexibility between a public or more private ceremony. A large projector screen is available for clients to connect their personal devices to in the chapel with full audio and AV system. There is a full serving kitchen with a commercial refrigerator, sink, dishwasher, and custom laminate cabinets with a mix of shaker style and flat panel doors throughout. The separate arrangement room allows staff to work with clients on coordination of services that includes a closet with a slat wall for casket samples, and a beverage center.





## ★ OTHER SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTION

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$5 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Wanzek Construction, Inc.</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Red Lake Falls Solar &amp; Wind Hybrid Project</b>

Wind and Solar unite at Wanzek's cutting-edge project, Red Lake Falls (RLF), Wanzek's first ever Solar and Wind hybrid project. RLF's technology allows for both wind and solar generation to work together on optimally producing electrical energy to the local grid. The system connecting the solar and wind components is a WISE system, which includes controls, monitoring and metering in one system to maintain optimum performance of power distribution. The solar field consists of 2,380 solar modules on a fixed tilt system, in connection with two 2.3mw GE wind turbines. Wanzek's Renewable Service, Wind Construction, Solar Construction and Solar Services teams joined forces to accomplish the successful build of the Red Lake Falls Project.

When working with comprehensive schedules and deadlines, Wanzek focuses on defined goals, realistic milestones and the resources needed in order to mitigate risk. Utilizing real time earned value data maintained at the job site level coupled with Wanzek's scheduling and project control's software, qualified team members update the schedule and reports weekly providing for consistent delivery of data to the project team. This has enabled the project team to make informed business decisions utilizing real time data. This information is also utilized to ensure visibility of the project status for all stakeholders involved

Project duration began with preconstruction in the spring of 2020 following through to spring of 2021 with final completion. Majority of activities were completed between June 2020 and November 2020, with the remainder of the civil activities completing in the spring after winter thaw.

The project is located on a single landowner's 320-acre property; 1.75 miles of road upgrades and intersection modifications. Project location is near a local community that was very supportive of the project and was willing to say many positive comments about Wanzek throughout the build of the site.





## ★ SPECIALTY CONTRACTING – INTERIORS

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Over \$1 Million</b>
<b>Company:</b>	<b>Grazzini Brothers &amp; Company</b>
<b>Award:</b>	<b>PYRAMID</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>New Public Service Building</b>

The \$195 million Minneapolis Public Service Building is a new 382,000 square foot building that will consolidate 1,300 City employees and many City departments and public service functions that are currently located in six different buildings into one new building across the street from City Hall.

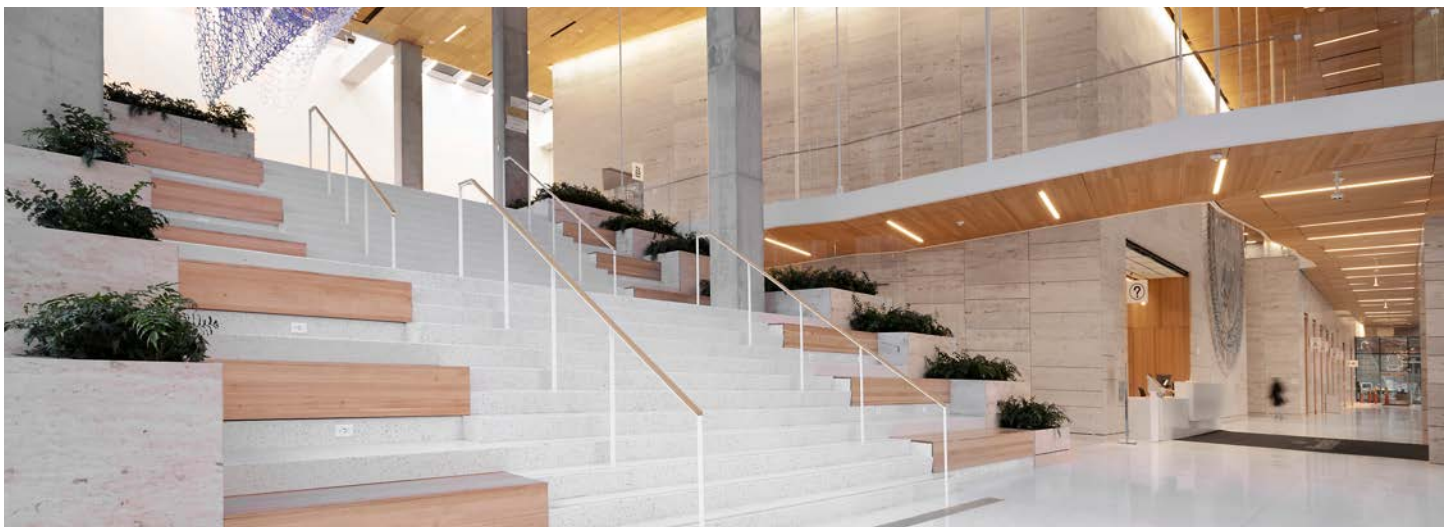
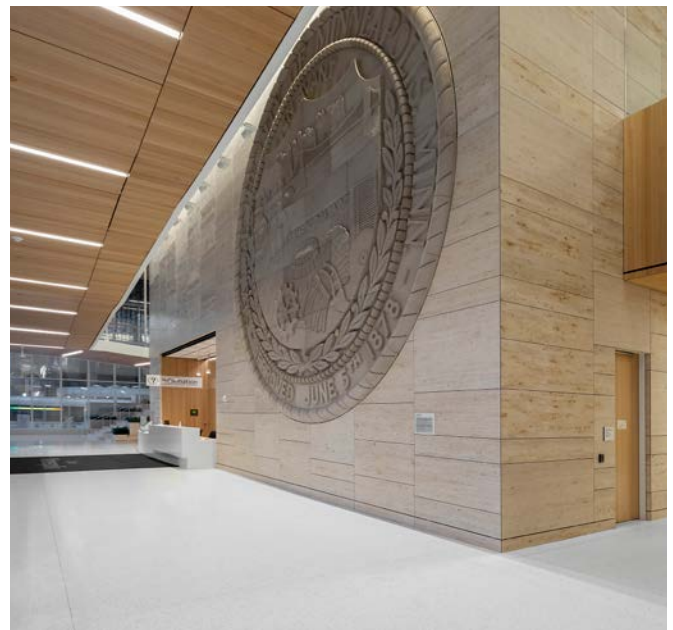
Grazzini Brothers installed over 33,750 square feet of ceramic and porcelain tile in restrooms and showers; 18,000 square feet of wall interior and exterior dimensional stone cladding; the reinstallation of the 53-year-old historic great seal of Minneapolis; 16,600 square feet of terrazzo flooring, precast treads / risers, tiles, and panels at the monumental stairs, knee walls, lounging areas and elevators.

Our crews installed over 33,750 square feet of ceramic and porcelain tile that ranged in size from 1"x1" mesh mounted mosaics up to 12"x24" large format tiles on all 10 floors of this project. Tile was installed primarily in restrooms and showers, with waterproof membrane being used throughout. There were several different tile colors and finishes, including multiple wall tiles with textured and directional patterns.

Our skilled craftsmen installed 18,000 square feet of interior and exterior dimensional stone cladding. This was especially challenging because of multiple size pieces, all fabricated in Europe. There were 1,336 unique stone shapes, and a total of 2,961 pieces. The centerpiece of the stone installation was 53-year-old historic great seal of Minneapolis. At over 26 feet in diameter with 100+ separate pieces, our installation crews and project management team worked closely with the historical consultant, design team and construction manager to plan and install the focal point of this project.

The monumental stairs, knee walls, lounging areas and elevators were installed with precast terrazzo treads, rises, tiles, and panels, and 16,600 square feet of 3/8" epoxy terrazzo floor.

This project commenced as the Covid-19 pandemic began. Challenging our crews to keep 6 feet of distance between each other along with other precautions. This project was also affected by the death of George Floyd with many protests interfering with construction. This project is a monument to those who protect and serve the City of Minneapolis.







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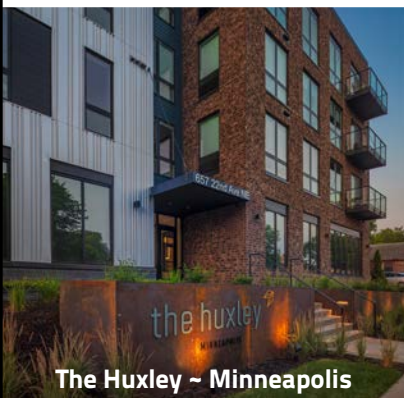


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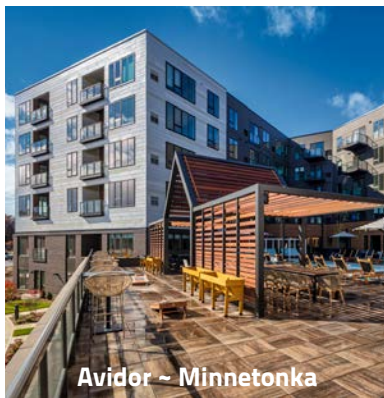




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